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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371	**GRUNP57**
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/007586	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 09 July 2004 (07.09.2004)	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 12 August 2003 (08.01.2002)

TITLE OF INVENTION
CLOSING DEVICE FOR A FUEL CONTAINER

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9), and (21) indicated below.
4. ☐ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
   a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
   b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
   c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).

6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
   a. ☒ is attached hereto.
   b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
   a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
   b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
   c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
   d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.

8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 through 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 USC 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 USC 154(d)(4).
20. ☐ Other items or information:

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21. The following fees are submitted:	Applicant Use	Office use only
☑ a) Basic national fee...$300.00	$ 300.00	
☑ b) Examination fee..$200.00	$ 200.00	
☑ c) Search fee..$500.00	$ 500.00	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = $1000.00	$ 1,000.00	

☐ Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is $250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.

Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE		
20 - 100 =	0 /50 =	0	x $250.00	$ 0.00	

Surcharge of **$130.00** for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) $ 130.00

CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	19 - 20 =	0	x $50.00	$ 0.00	
Independent claims	1 - 3 =	0	x $200.00	$ 0.00	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (IF APPLICABLE)			+ $360.00	$ 0.00	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				$ 1,130.00	

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½. $ 0.00

SUBTOTAL = $ 1,130.00

Processing fee of **$130.00** for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)) $ 0.00

TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = $ 1,130.00

Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). $40.00 per property   + $ 0.00

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = $ 1,130.00

Amount to be refunded:		$
Amount to be charged		$

a. ☐ A check in the amount of _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed.

b. ☑ Please charge our Deposit Account No. __501998__ in the amount of __$1,130.00__ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

c. ☑ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that might be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. __501998__. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

d. ☐ Fees are to be charged to a credit card. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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